

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 STATE 052148
ORIGIN SS-15

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-04 H-02
INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02 PRS-01 SP-02 ACDA-10
IO-13 EB-08 NRC-07 OES-06 FEAE-00 ERDA-07 NEA-10
NSCE-00 SSO-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 /115 R

DRAFTED BY D-BLPASCOE:EDH
APPROVED BY D - B. LYNN PASCOE
S/S - MR. SEBASTIAN

-----091827Z 089757 /73

O 091812Z MAR 77
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY BONN IMMEDIATE

UNCLAS STATE 052148

FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, PARM, PK, GE

SUBJECT: AFP STORY ON PAKISTAN/US DISCUSSIONS ON NUCLEAR
ISSUES

AFP CARRIED THE FOLLOWING STORY ON MARCH 8.
BEGIN TEXT: ISLAMABAD, MARCH 8 (AFP) -- PAKISTAN IS READY
TO START A "REAL" DISCUSSION WITH THE U.S. ABOUT THE
AGREED PAKISTANI PURCHASE OF A FRENCH NUCLEAR WASTE
REPROCESSING PLANT WHICH THE U.S. OPPOSES, PRIME MINISTER
ZULFIQAR ALI BHUTTO SAID HERE TODAY.

SPEAKING AT A PRESS CONFERENCE FOLLOWING HIS SWEEPING
GENERAL ELECTION VICTORY YESTERDAY, MR. BHUTTO SAID HE
THOUGHT THE PURCHASE HAD AROUSED SUCH GREAT ATTENTION IN
THE U.S. BECAUSE THE U.S. WAS STILL IN AN ELECTORAL PERIOD.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 STATE 052148

THE TWO COUNTRIES WOULD START DIALOGUE ON THE PROBLEM NOW
THAT THE ELECTIONS HAD BEEN HELD IN BOTH COUNTRIES, HE
ADDED.

MR. BHUTTO DID NOT INDICATE UP TO WHAT POINT PAKISTAN WAS
READY TO GIVE THE U.S. ASSURANCES ABOUT USE OF THE FRENCH
PLANT FOR PEACEFUL ENDS, COMMENTING ONLY THAT TALKS WOULD

BE "SINCERE". IT WAS THE FIRST TIME MR. BHUTTO HAD
EXPRESSED HIS WISH TO DIALOGUE WITH THE U.S., WHICH HAS

THREATENED TO STOP ALL AID TO PAKISTAN IF THE PLANT IS
BUILT.

FRANCE, WHILE AFFIRMING THAT THE SIGNED CONTRACT IS
BINDING ON IT, HAS INDICATED IT WOULD GIVE UP THE PROJECT
IF PAKISTAN SAID IT WANTED TO.

MR. BHUTTO ALSO SAID HE DID NOT UNDERSTAND WHY CANADA
HAD STOPPED ALL NUCLEAR COOPERATION WITH PAKISTAN.
HE THOUGHT THE CANADIANS WERE HIGHLY SENSITIVE ON THE
QUESTION SINCE INDIA, WHICH HAD RECEIVED CANADIAN
COOPERATION, EXPLODED A NUCLEAR BOMB. MR. BHUTTO
ADDED THAT HE DID NOT ANTICIPATE ANY MAJOR DEVELOPMENT
IN RELATIONS WITH CANADA IN THIS REGARD IN THE FORESEE-
ABLE FUTURE. END TEXT
VANCE

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT, DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, NUCLEAR REACTORS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 09-Mar-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977STATE052148
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: BLPASCOE:EDH
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770081-0459
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770377/aaaacpot.tel
Line Count: 81
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: d4cbd1ba-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN SS
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 24-Nov-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3159685
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: AFP STORY ON PAKISTAN/US DISCUSSIONS ON NUCLEAR ISSUES AFP CARRIED THE FOLLOWING STORY ON MARCH 8.
TAGS: PFOR, PARM, PK, GC, US
To: BONN
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/d4cbd1ba-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009